

DHCD: Audit Policy

OVERVIEW

All grantees, sub-grantees, CHDOs, and sub-recipients, localities, developers, or any other organizations that receive funding during a specific program year and or have projects in progress are required to submit one of the following financial documents: Financial Statement**, Reviewed Financial Statement prepared by an independent Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Audited Financial Statement prepared by an independent CPA or an OMB A-133 Audit (Single Audit) prepared by an independent CPA. Please see the table below to determine which document your organization is required to submit.

The threshold requirements outlined below are the minimal standards required by DHCD. We strongly encourage all organizations receiving funds from DHCD to undertake the highest level of financial management review to ensure practices and procedures are fully examined and evaluated.

| Threshold Requirement | Document |
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| Total annual expenditures \leq \$100,000 – regardless of source | Financial Statement prepared by organizations** |
| Total annual expenditure between \$100,001 and \$300,000 – regardless of source | Reviewed Financial Statement prepared by an Independent Certified Public Accountant (CPA) |
| Total annual expenditures $>$ \$300,000 – regardless of source* | Audited Financial Statement prepared by an Independent CPA |
| *Federal expenditures \geq \$500,000 (increases to \$750,000 as of January 2015) | A-133 Audit (Single Audit) prepared by an Independent CPA |

** Does not require preparation by a CPA

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The above referenced document must be submitted yearly, within nine (9) months after the end of your fiscal year or 30 (thirty) days after it has been accepted (reviewed financial statement, audited financial statements, and OMB A-133 Audit only) -whichever comes first.

Entities must electronically submit their financial statement, reviewed financial statements, audited financial statements, or A-133 Audit (Single Audit) in DHCD's Centralized Application and Management System (CAMS) which requires the organization to register in CAMS at <https://dmz1.dhcd.virginia.gov/camsportal/Login.aspx> Entities are required to have a DHCD reviewed and approved current audit or reviewed financial statement in order to submit a remittance request.

Additional reporting requirement (for local governments and non-profits organizations)

In accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, OMB Circular A-133, the OMB Circular Compliance Supplement and Government Auditing Standards [local governments and non-profit organizations that expend \$500,000(increases to \$750,000 as of January 2015) or more of federal funds in a year are required to complete a "Data Collection Form for Reporting on Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations" (see Appendix A for sample form) and submit a copy of your Audited Financial Statement to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse at <https://harvester.census.gov/facweb/files/2013%20Form%20SF-SAC.pdf>.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial statements should include an organization's income statement (statement of activities), a balance sheet (statement of net position) and a cash-flow statement. Income Statement, also known as the Profit and Loss Statement, includes your financial performance in terms of net profit or loss over a specified period. The income statement is composed of the following two elements: income and expenses. The balance sheet presents the financial position of your organization at a given date. The balance sheet is composed of the following three elements: assets, liabilities, and equity. The cash flow statement presents the movement of cash and bank balances over a fixed period. The cash flow statement is composed of the following three elements: operating activities, investing activities, and financing activities.

REVIEWED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Reviewed financial statements require a CPA perform inquiry and analytical procedures that extend beyond the scope of a compilation review¹. Upon completion, a report is issued with "limited assurance" stating that a review has been performed in accordance with the American Institute of CPA's (AICPA) professional standards, that a review is less in scope than an audit, and that the CPA did not become aware of any material modifications that should be made in order for the statements to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, or if applicable, another comprehensive basis of accounting. Please note that Schedulesⁱ A, B and C are **required** to be included in your reviewed financial statement as supplementary information and your audit firm is **required** to include these schedules.

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Audited Financial Statements are required for all entities that expend \$300,000 or more regardless of source. Audited Financial Statements require a CPA perform inquiry and analytical procedures that extend beyond the scope of a compiled or reviewed statements, including verification and substantiation procedures. These verification and substantiation procedures may include direct correspondence with creditors or debtors to verify details of amounts owed, physical inspection of inventories or investment securities, inspection of minutes and contracts, and other similar steps. Also, the CPA gains a knowledge and understanding of the entity's system of internal control. Upon completion, a report is issued with "positive assurance" stating that a review has been performed in accordance with both the American Institute of CPA's (AICPA) professional standards and generally accepted auditing standards, and expresses an opinion that the financial statements present fairly the entity's financial position and results of operations. Please note that Schedulesⁱ A, B, and C are **required** to be included in your audited financial statement as supplementary information and your audit firm is **required** to include these schedules in their audit opinion.

OMB A-133 AUDIT (Single Audit)

¹ Compilation review entails the most basic level of service CPAs provide with respect to financial statements. In a compilation, the CPA must comply with certain basic requirements of professional standards, such as having a knowledge of the client's industry and applicable accounting principles, having a clear understanding with the client as to the services to be provided, and reading the financial statements to determine whether there are any obvious departures from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP, or, in some cases, another comprehensive basis of accounting used by the entity).

All non-Federal entities that expend \$500,000 or more (increases to \$750,000 as of January 2015) of Federal awards in a year are required to obtain an annual audit in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations," the OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement and Government Auditing Standards. An OMB A-133 audit requires a CPA to conduct an entity-wide audit consisting of two main parts: an audit of the basic financial statements and an audit of the entity's major Federal award programs. The audit of the major programs includes (a) gaining an understanding of and testing the internal controls and (b) a compliance audit governing laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grants of the Federal award programs. Upon completion, a report is issued with the CPA's opinion on whether an organization has complied with laws, regulations and the provisions of contracts or grants that have a direct and material effect on each of its major programs. . Please note that Schedulesⁱ A, B, and C are **required** to be included in you're A-133 Audit as supplementary information and your audit firm is **required** to include these schedules in their audit opinion.

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ⁱ **Schedule A- Status of Funds**: This schedule provides an accounting of grant funds on hand at the beginning of the period, and receipt and expenditures of grant funds during the period.

Schedule B-Costs by Program Activity: This schedule accounts for the expenditure of funds by activity rather than grant.

Schedule C- Status of Inventories: Tangible personal property purchased with funds from a Federal or State grants should be included. Generally, equipment would be the main item reported. Equipment with a fair market value of less than \$5,000 per unit should not be reported.